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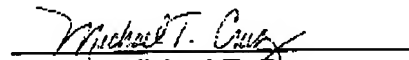
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Dear Sir:

This paper responds to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance ("the Examiner's Statement") in the above-identified application and accompanies the issue/publication fee transmittal (part B).

Appln. No. 10/058,509
Comments dated Feb. 24, 2006
In Reply to Notice of Allowability of Feb. 10, 2006

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully submit that the documents made of record, taken alone or in combination, fail to fairly describe, teach or suggest "a receiver arranged to recover input data transmitted at a first transfer rate in response to a first transmit clock signal; and a transmitter arranged to transmit the transmit data at a second transfer rate in response to a second transmit clock signal coordinated with the first transmit clock signal, said second transmit clock signal comprising a frequency defined at least in part by a predetermined relationship between the first transfer rate and second transfer rate" as set forth in claim 1.

Applicants respectfully submit that the documents made of record, taken alone or in combination, fail to fairly describe, teach or suggest "recovering input data transmitted at a first transfer rate in response to a first transmit clock signal; generating a second transmit clock signal coordinated with the first transmit clock signal; and transmitting the transmit data in response to the second transmit clock signal at a second transfer rate, said second transmit clock signal comprising a frequency defined at least in part by a predetermined relationship between the first transfer rate and second transfer rate" as set forth in claim 20.

Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner's Statement might imply that the dependent claims are only allowable because they depend from allowed independent claims. However, the Examiner's Statement does not discuss any of the other elements of the claimed subject matter, in particular, those additional elements recited in the dependent claims which may render the dependent claims independently allowable in view of the specification, prosecution file history and/or the documents made of record, either alone or in combination.

Applicants respectfully submit that the Examiner's Statement presents only some of the reasons for allowance of the claims, and that other reasons also exist for allowing the claims such as, for example, those set forth more completely in the record as a whole. This interpretation is consistent with M.P.E.P. § 1302.14, which states that any statement of reasons for allowance "[i]s not intended to necessarily state all the reasons for allowance or all the details why claims are allowed and should not be written to specifically or impliedly state all the reasons for allowance are set forth." M.P.E.P. § 1302.14.

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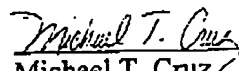
Finally, Applicants agree with the Examiner that claims 1-38 are allowable in view of all of the documents made of record, either alone or in combination. However, Applicants do not necessarily agree or disagree with the Examiner's characterization of the documents made of record, either alone or in combination, or the Examiner's characterization of recited claim elements. In closing, Applicants respectfully reserve the right to argue the characterization of the documents of record, either alone or in combination, or the characterization of the recited claim elements should that need arise in the future.

If the Examiner has questions, or if Applicants can be of assistance, the Examiner is invited and encouraged to contact Applicants' representative at the below-listed telephone number.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge additional fees or credit overpayments to the deposit account of McAndrews, Held & Malloy, Account No. 13-0017.

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Respectfully submitted,


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